Order

Michigan Supreme Court Lansing, Michigan

April 28, 2017

Stephen J. Markman, Chief Justice

153893

Brian K. Zahra Bridget M. McCormack David F. Viviano Richard H. Bernstein Joan L. Larsen, Justices

JULIE A. PUCCI, Plaintiff-Appellant,

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NINETEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT. Garnishee Defendant-Appellee,

and

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CHIEF JUDGE MARK W. SOMERS and COMERICA BANK, Defendants.

On order of the Court, the application for leave to appeal the March 17, 2016 judgment of the Court of Appeals is considered, and it is GRANTED. The parties shall include among the issues to be briefed: (1) whether the chief judge of a district court possesses the authority to adopt an employee indemnification policy on behalf of the district court, MCL 691.1408(1); MCR 8.110(C); (2) if a chief judge possesses such authority, whether the judge may adopt a policy that indemnifies employees for liability incurred in their individual capacities; and (3) whether the conduct of Judge Somers that gave rise to the judgment against him in the federal district court occurred "while in the course of employment and while acting within the scope of his . . . authority." MCL 691.1408(1).

The Michigan Association of Counties, Michigan Judges Association, Michigan Probate Judges Association, Michigan District Judges Association, Michigan Municipal League, City of Dearborn, and Judge Mark W. Somers are invited to file briefs amicus curiae. Other persons or groups interested in the determination of the issues presented in this case may move the Court for permission to file briefs amicus curiae.



I, Larry S. Royster, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

April 28, 2017

